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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady, the undertone is weak. Demand was light. No trading was reported. Parts and meats trading was slow to moderate. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings are mixed, mostly adequate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on mechanically separated turkey and thigh meat, balance slow. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings light to fully adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **FEBRUARY 02, 2006**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65-68.5	68.5	68.50	60	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	65-67.5	67.5	67.50	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	65-66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65-66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF FEB 03, 2006	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	MONTH OF JANUARY	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	SAME MONTH YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	66.20 **	66.90 **	66.70 **	EASTERN REGION	68.29	82.60	67.63
CENTRAL REGION	68.50	68.00	65.90 **	CENTRAL REGION	67.80	82.26	67.15
WESTERN REGION	66.70 **	67.50 **	66.70 **	WESTERN REGION	68.63	82.86	68.80
16-24 LB TOMS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	66.20 **	66.90 **	63.00 **	EASTERN REGION	68.29	80.64	63.65
CENTRAL REGION	67.50	68.00	62.40 **	CENTRAL REGION	67.78	80.38	62.85
WESTERN REGION	66.70 **	67.50 **	63.40 **	WESTERN REGION	68.63	80.71	64.23

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	69-74
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	69-74
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-81

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-129

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS

(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of Feb 06, 2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
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PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	80.97	353,000
16-24 lbs.	83.31	52,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume:	420,000
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TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 28-Jan-2006 (Preliminary)

		YOUNG TURKEYS		TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG	OLD	AVG	
		CHG	LIVE	BANDED	LIVE	
-THOUSAND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT		
North East	746	-15	25.28	(A)	747	25.28
South Atlantic	646	3	37.16	(A)	647	37.16
North Central	1,983	4	33.99	(A)	1,983	33.99
South Central	495	-30	18.66	(A)	495	18.66
West	273	13	26.79	(A)	273	26.79

U.S. total	4,143(B)	-5	30.62	2	4,145	30.62
To-date						
2006	15,951(B)			24	15,975	
To-date						
2005	16,516(B)			23	16,539	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 23,000; for the current year to date 97,000; for last year to date 125,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

December	415,671*
January 1 - 28, 2006	388,222*

To date 2006	388,222*
To date 2005	404,290*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG OLD</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>Thousands</u>				
W/E 28-Jan-2006					
Head	1,524	2,596	23	2	4,145
Avg Wt	16.00	39.25	22.68	55.78	30.62
Last week	1,504	2,830	28	6	4,368
Same wk yr ago	1,502	2,533	17	3	4,055
Avg Wt	15.85	39.37	24.74	36.87	27.93
To-date/2006	6,023	9,831	97	24	15,975
To-date/2005	6,311	10,080	125	23	16,539

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT. INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 2 FEBRUARY 2006.

The market tone on tom 2-joint wings was steady to barely steady, balance of tom bulk parts steady to fully steady. Demand light to moderate, best on items destined for ground turkey. Offerings of tom 2-joint wings adequate to ample, balance light to adequate. The market tone on hen bulk parts was steady to instances weak, mostly steady to barely steady. Demand light for the adequate to instances burdensome offerings. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to barely steady with decreased seller confidence starting to be noted. Demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. The market tone on mechanically separated turkey (MST) was generally steady. Demand moderate to instances good on fresh, frozen light. Offerings light to adequate with frozen starting to increase in availability. Trading centered on a moderate volume of fresh tom breast meat for domestic shipments, balance slow. For export, cents delivered: young hen full-cut wings 25, tom necks 34, young hen drums 38.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	105.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	150.78	45
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/			99.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	99.00		41.00	14
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	40.00		40.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	41.20	100
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	24.00		24.00	14
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	26.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	39.78	180
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	112.00	60
NECKS, TOM	33.00		33.00	14
NECKS, HEN		T	35.00	9
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	169.65	62
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	161.00-165.00		163.25	320
THIGH MEAT		T	96.00	1
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	97.00	33
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	129.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		T	108.00	40
TENDERLOINS		T	166.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	164.24	68
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	168.26	46
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	70.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		W	20.10	592
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	40.00-41.00		40.50	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	22.00	280
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	31.00	208
TAILS		W	34.00	26
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00		20.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	94.37	594

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT. INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 FEBRUARY 2006.

The market tone on tom breast meat, destrapped tenderloins and breast trim was steady to instances weak, however isolated instances of increased confidence was noted. The market tone on the balance of white meat was mostly steady. Demand in a full range, mostly light to moderate. Export demand light. Offerings of scapula and wing meat with skin light to adequate, balance of white meat adequate to sometimes ample. Trading was active on fresh tom breast meat for domestic shipments and on fresh tom drums for export, balance slow to moderate. For domestic (rib breasts): Grade A non-basted 125, 12-14 lb. 145-155, 14-16 lb. 160, 16-20 lb. 170; plant grade non-basted - 10-12 lb. 140, 12-14 lb. 150-160, 14-16 lb. 155, 16-18 lb. 168-170, 18-20 lb. 168, 20-24 lb. 165-168; plant grade basted 16-20 lb. 170, drummettes 39, fresh scapula 112-123 mostly 112-114, fresh ground breast trim 132 For export: fresh tom drums 40, fresh thigh meat 95 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	105.00	80	105.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	150.78	45	150.78	45
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	99.00	80	100.83	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	40.00-43.00		41.18	102	40.85	276
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	41.00-43.00		41.67	120	41.20	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	42.00		42.00	40	41.48	165
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00-27.00		24.97	180	24.20	405
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	26.00	20	27.00	49
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	39.78	180	39.45	220
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	112.00	60	112.00	60
NECKS, TOM	32.00-34.00		32.65	191	32.54	331
NECKS, HEN		T	35.00	9	35.00	9
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	161.00-170.00		161.59	44	161.59	44
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	161.00-165.00		163.63	472	163.91	1,052
THIGH MEAT	96.00-98.00		96.32	25	96.31	26
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	98.00		98.00	18	97.35	51
BREAST TRIM MEAT	132.00		132.00	40	127.20	200
SCAPULA MEAT	108.00		108.00	2	108.00	42
TENDERLOINS	166.00		166.00	1	166.00	5
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	164.24	68	164.24	68
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	70.00	20	70.00	140
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	159.00-165.00		162.79	122	162.79	122
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	80	18.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	20.00-22.00		21.87	107	20.37	699
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	40.50	80	39.56	360
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	22.00	280	22.00	280
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	31.00	208	31.00	208
TAILS		W	34.00	26	34.00	26
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.50-21.00		19.90	200	19.92	240
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	94.00		94.00	40	94.45	754

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